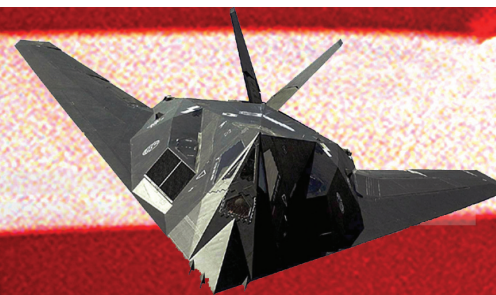


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*Air and Space  
Expeditionary Force  
Tempo*

**As of April 10,  
321 Airmen were  
deployed to  
17 countries  
around the  
world.**



Photo by Airman 1st Class Russell Scalf

### Final flight

**Brig. Gen. Kurt Cichowski, 49th Fighter Wing commander, prepares for his final flight in an F-117A as wing commander here April 13. General Cichowski will be leaving Holloman in May to be the deputy chief of staff, Combat Plans and Assessments, Multi-National Force-Iraq in Baghdad.**

## Earth, Arbor Day celebration set for Saturday

**by Laura Hunt**

*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

Holloman recycles thousands of tons of cardboard, metal, wood chips, paper and compost every year.

To celebrate the base's history of recycling and educate Team Holloman on ways to help the planet, the 49th Civil Engineer Squadron is sponsoring Earth Day 2006 Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Base Exchange parking lot.

"Earth Day celebrates our planet and its resources," said Mr. Michael Jago, 49th CES Pollution Prevention manager. "Events highlight conservation, preservation, restoration and new

technology to reduce pollution."

Earth Day will feature energy, building and solar demonstrations. Habitat for Humanity, EEM Scrap, Holloman Intermediate School and the Holloman Officers' Spouses Club Thrift Store will accept donations of printer cartridges, cell phones, televisions, computers, clothing, furniture and building materials.

"This is a great time to clean out the garage and recycle that old bicycle," Mr. Jago said.

According to the National Arbor Day Foundation Web site, a community is considered a "Tree City USA" if it meets four criteria: the community must have a board or department which

is responsible for care and management of its trees; have a tree-care ordinance; spend at least \$2 per capita annually on forestry programs; and observe and promote Arbor Day.

"The celebration helps the public recognize how far the country has come since the 1970s," he said.

According to Mr. Jago, at that time the air in cities was more polluted than it is today.

"Cities often burned or scattered trash with no government controls and disposed of raw sewage in lakes and rivers," he said. "Cars only got an average of nine miles per gallon. People under 30 often are amazed and horrified to find out how bad things were."



# Command chief passes on wisdom, advice

by Chief Master Sgt. Dale Barton  
49th Fighter Wing command chief

Years ago, I had the luxury of working with a “crusty” old chief master sergeant who put together a list of do’s and don’ts he believed would help anyone be successful in our Air Force.

I asked if I could use them as I took the path of an AF career and he replied, “I wouldn’t have told you about them if I didn’t want you to use them and teach others along your way.”

So, I’ve been using them and adding to them ever since and now, with a 30-year career coming to a close, I’m passing them on to you.

1. *The Chain of Command works, so use it!* With the advent of electronic information, e-mail and that neat global locator function, we have a tendency to e-mail the owner of the process instead of allowing our supervisor to work the issues or more importantly, put us on the right track to work the problem, especially those problems within our span of control.

2. *Integrity is non-negotiable.* I believe we all know this, but having been in positions of trust for a number of years now, I know how important integrity is – without it you have nothing.

3. *Loyalty is a two way street.* Loyal NCOs are not their subordinates buddies, but their leaders and teachers. Loyal superiors never ask or demand subordinates to compromise personal and professional integrity.

4. *Professional conduct and a sense of humor are a must.* In our business, things can get tense pretty quick and one can tolerate these tense moments better with a sense of humor. Take your job seriously, not yourself. Laugh often – it’s healthy.

5. *The people and customers we serve come first.* Our main customers are the citizens of the United States. We need to have a great attitude because we are all in this together. When we’re downtown in uniform, we are seen and judged as Airmen, not independent citizens. Remember

– treat every Airman like a general and every general like an Airman and you can’t go wrong.

6. *Quality service and high standards are everyone’s business.*

7. *Innovation and adaptation get better results.* This is very true these days as we continue to downsize to a 300,000-person AF. The new AFSO-21 program needs to be institutionalized to the lowest levels so we can eliminate all unnecessary tasks, functions and redundancies from our AF.

8. *Admitting mistakes is a sign of strength and maturity, not weakness.* Own up to mistakes; we all make them. We’ve all heard we learn more from mistakes than successes. I’m convinced this is true because as professionals, we do not want to repeat mistakes.

9. *Disagreement is not disrespect.* A most common form of disrespect is telling your superiors what you believe they want to hear and not what they need to hear. Remember, it’s how you say it and where you say it. There’s a way to say everything that needs to be said; just be sure it’s the proper time and place.

10. *Shooting the messenger is a waste of ammo.* If you consistently shoot the messenger, you will not get the message yourself because people won’t bring it to you and eventually you will fail. We can’t afford to fail in our business.

11. *Zero tolerance for abuse or misuse of our subordinates, resources or any form of harassment.* People are our most valuable asset and we need all of them to accomplish the mission. Money is an issue and becoming even more so, so wasting resources may mean we may have to live without something in the future.

12. *The lieutenant you fail to properly explain a situation to today, is the colonel or commander you have to live with tomorrow.* We have a responsibility to explain things properly and professionally to our future leaders. The lieutenant you work with today may be the chief of staff someday and you will have had a small part in their professional development.

13. *Skill, will and teamwork breed trust, discipline, high morale and combat power.* We need to become AF experts and extend our expertise to other members of our team to ensure we develop into the best Airmen possible. Doing so will also ensure we are always ready to fight and win America’s wars.

14. *The ears work best when the mouth is closed.* We have two ears and one mouth for a reason. Listen to your Airmen; you’ll be amazed at what you learn.

15. *Learn tolerance.* Develop the serenity to accept the things you cannot change, the courage to change the things you can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

16. *Follow-up is not a dirty word; it’s the mark of an effective leader.* Our wing commander often says “tasking without suspense is merely philosophy.”

17. *Do not make promises you are unwilling or unable to keep.* Your reputation will suffer and it becomes an integrity issue. If you can’t do something let them know.

18. *The statement “Sir, I don’t know, but I will find out,” is the beginning of wisdom.* Never say something you don’t know to be the truth unless it is accompanied with “this is my best guess.”

19. *Praise often and publicly.* Punish only when absolutely necessary, and whenever possible, in private.

20. *Instructions may be waiverable, but the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights are not.* We must adhere to that which we’ve sworn to uphold. As military members, we have to be very careful we do not cross over the line of lawful behavior. Public polls show the military to be the most trusted agency of the Federal Government. We need to maintain that trust in every task we undertake.

As I mentioned in the opening paragraph, these phrases have been the “code” I’ve followed for many years of my career and they have not failed me. We all need an occasional reminder about our standards of behavior so we never forget who we are: America’s Air Force. No One Comes Close.

## DUI Update

Days since last DUI	25
DUIs this year	5
This week last year	8

### Last six DUIs

• 49th LRS	March 24
• 49th MMS	Feb. 23
• 49th AMXS	Feb. 19
• 49th MDOS	Feb. 17
• 49th FW	Jan. 31
• 49th CS	Dec. 30

## 572-RIDE works!

Calls made are lives saved

**116** Saves this year

**8** Saves this week



High: 84  
Low: 48  
TODAY



High: 84  
Low: 48  
SATURDAY



High: 84  
Low: 50  
SUNDAY



High: 82  
Low: 50  
MONDAY

Weather forecast provided by the  
49th Operations Support Squadron Weather Flight.



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# Space shuttle exercise prepares base for emergency landings

by Ms. Laura Hunt  
49th Fighter Wing Public  
Affairs

If there's a problem with a NASA space shuttle orbital vehicle, it might have to make an emergency landing at White Sands Space Harbor.

There could be injured astronauts, fires or damaged equipment.

Team Holloman members, trained and prepared to respond, will be able to provide disaster response support at a moment's notice.

Each year, Holloman conducts a Major Accident Response Exercise to prepare the base for a possible orbital vehicle landing.

The most recent exercise was April 14 and several organizations participated, including Holloman, White Sands Space Harbor, White Sands Missile Range, White Sands Test Facility, Northern Command, Department of Manned Space Flight Office and NASA Ground Operations, Convoy Command and Astronaut Support Office.

"The purpose of this exercise was to evaluate the wing's ability to provide Disaster Control Group support, Crash/Rescue/Fire for ground rescue, MEDIVAC, and security capabilities in support of a nominal NASA Space Shuttle landing or contingency at White Sands Space Harbor," said Mr. Phil Goss, 49th Civil Engineer Squadron Readiness Flight Emergency Management specialist. "Additionally, the Holloman Air Force Base Shuttle Support Plan, Checklists 32-1 and other supporting plans and checklists were evaluated for completeness and sufficiency."

WSSH is third in line for a possible orbital vehicle landing. Kennedy Space Center in Florida and Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., are also landing sites.

"If something happens with the shuttle and they need to bring it

down, it's going to be one of these three airfields," Mr. Goss said.

WSSH is also NASA's primary abort location.

"If something happens to the shuttle when it launches, if it has to come down as soon as it takes off, we're going to be the base that catches it," said Tech. Sgt. Lee Smith, 49th CES Readiness Flight NCOIC.

The first and last time a space shuttle made a landing at White Sands Space Harbor was on March 30, 1982.

The arranged landing site at Edwards was washed out by heavy rains and flooding so the space shuttle Columbia had to reroute to White Sands. Almost 1,400 Team Holloman members contributed more than 36,000 man-hours to assist during the landing.

During the exercise, players practiced one normal landing and

two contingencies, both involving physical problems with the pilots, Sergeant Smith said.

Personnel also prepared for landing site support, communications, medical support, meteorological services, news media support, cargo security and support of NASA shuttle turnaround operations.

The exercise also familiarized everyone with their most important objective: saving lives.

"Initially we're concerned with the health and safety of the crew," Sergeant Smith said. "After that, the initial responders will make sure the orbiter vehicle is supported."

The exercise was a success for Holloman, Sergeant Smith said.

"Overall the exercise went extremely well," he said. "The NASA folks said it was one of the best exercises they've ever seen."



Photo by Tech. Sgt. James Hart

**Senior Airman Raul Salazar and Staff Sgt. Michael Mcfadden, both ambulance response technicians with the 49th Medical Operations Squadron, transport an astronaut while Lt. Col. Scott Welker, also 49th MDOS, coordinates air transport. Lt. Col. Tom Hoffman, a flight surgeon from Patrick Air Force Base Fl., looks on. Colonel Hoffman came TDY from Patrick to help train Team Holloman members on Space Shuttle procedures.**



# Holloman dependent takes lead

by Ms. Laura Hunt  
49th Fighter Wing Public  
Affairs

Easter has come and gone, but there's still one bunny who deserves some attention this weekend.

Abigail Agosto, 10-year-old daughter of Major Ines and Mrs. Teresa Agosto, plays the lead role in "The Velveteen Rabbit," a presentation by the New Mexico State University-Alamogordo Theater on the Hill.

Abigail plays the Velveteen Rabbit, a stuffed toy who wishes to become a real rabbit.

"It's a really good family show," said Theater on the Hill director, Ms. Connie Breeding. "It has a bit of a message — that it's OK to be different and that love is a powerful emotion."

Abigail has been acting in plays since age 7, Mrs. Agosto said.

While the Agostos were stationed in Alaska, Abigail went to a youth theater workshop, Mrs. Agosto said. When the family moved to Holloman, then 7-year-old Abigail had the opportunity to try out for a part in "Alice In Wonderland" with the Missoula Children's Theater. She was chosen to play a dancing lobster.

"Abigail started acting with the Theater on the Hill three years ago," Ms. Breeding said. "She was a gosling in "Charlotte's Web" and Rabbit in "Winnie the Pooh."

"Since I had worked with Abby before, I saw her progress on stage," Ms. Breeding said. "She speaks clearly and she follows directions really well. When I tell her something, she integrates it into her character."

Abigail was chosen to be the Velveteen Rabbit from a group of 40 people who auditioned, Ms. Breeding said.

"I didn't know who would get the lead," she said. "But during the audition it became clear she would probably be the best actor to handle it."

Abigail also has confidence in her ability to handle the part. Stage fright is no problem, she said.



Photo by Ms. Laura Hunt

**Abigail Agosto, 10, Jack Chapa, 13 and Peter Chapa, 11, practice a scene during a rehearsal of "The Velveteen Rabbit." Opening night is Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the Rohovec Fine Arts Center in Alamogordo.**

"All I do is look back at the mirror on the light booth and concentrate on that," Abigail said. "Or else I look at the people I'm talking to."

Though she doesn't get nervous, performing the lead role is a lot of work, she said.

"It's hard," Abigail said. "All the lines ... I have 181 lines to memorize."

The hard work is worth it for the chance to be on stage, Abigail said.

"You get to do stuff you've never done before," she said. "I get to jump on the bed and I've never done that before."

Mrs. Agosto, who describes herself as shy, said she's excited about Abigail's accomplishments.

"I'm proud," Mrs. Agosto said. "She's so brave. I'm the one biting

my fingernails."

Abigail will be joined on stage by 10 other actors, nine of which are between 9 and 15 years old. Actors Jack Chapa, 13, Peter Chapa, 11, and Olivia Budak, 10, are also connected to Holloman. Jack and Peter are the sons of Lt. Col. Mike Chapa of the 586th Flight Test Squadron. Olivia is the daughter of Col. David Budak, a Marine reservist with the 49th Civil Engineer Squadron.

"There is great parental support," Mrs. Breeding said. "Across the board, that's very true of military families. If a child goes out for extracurricular activities, they really support them and their activity."

The group of young actors said they enjoy being part of the production.

"It's a good way to make friends," Olivia said.

Peter said being on stage helped teach him to be more confident, especially in front of a crowd. He shakes his head when asked if he gets nervous on stage, but adds, "In the first performance I get nervous."

"It's not nervousness; it's a rush of adrenaline," Jack said.

The rest of the young cast nodded in agreement.

## On the side

"The Velveteen Rabbit," based on the book by Margery Williams, will be performed by the NMSU-A Theater on the Hill at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday, April 28 and 29 and 2 p.m. April 30. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$2 for children. Advance tickets are available at The Blue Stone, TLC Portraits in the White Sands Mall and the NMSU-A Business Office. For more information, call 439-3604.



# ACC Joan Orr Spouse of the Year award winner



Photo by Senior Airman Terri Barriere

**Name:** Doris Lankford

**Husband:** Master Sgt. Mark Lankford

**Hometown:** Augusta, Ga.

**Nominated by:** Johnnie Mitchell

**Citation:** Mrs. Doris Lankford distinguished herself as the Joan Orr Air Force Spouse of the Year, 49th Fighter Wing, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, from Jan. 1 2005 to Dec. 31 2005. Mrs. Lankford made superb contributions to Team Holloman and the Alamogordo community by volunteering 1,147 hours as Family Services coordinator, 520 hours in support of Holloman's Airman's Attic and 260 hours with Holloman's Enlisted Spouses' Organization. An unselfish, unwavering advocate of morale initiatives, she guided the Holloman Enlisted Spouses' Organization and was a very active Key Spouse with the 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron. The distinctive accomplishments of Mrs. Lankford reflect credit upon herself and the United States Air Force.

## Stealth pilot reaches milestone



Photos by Senior Airman Heather Frady

**Maj. Peter Wilkie, 53rd Test and Evaluations Group, is greeted by friends, family and co-workers after his fini flight April 14.**

**by Capt Joel Stark**  
*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

An F-117A pilot reached the 1,000 hour milestone after touching down for his “fini flight” here April 14.

Maj. Peter Wilkie, 53rd Test and Evaluations Group, Detachment 1 assistant director of operations, goes down in the record book as the 24th F-117A pilot to reach 1,000 hours, according to Lt. Col. Joel Rush, Det. 1 director of operations.

“Most pilots look forward to 1,000 hours in whatever aircraft they’re flying. It’s a real milestone and has its own special [flight suit] patch,” Major Wilkie said.

In addition to the Nighthawk, Major Wilkie has previously flown the F-16 and T-38. His tour at Holloman also included flying the F-117A for the 8th Fighter Squadron.

Making Major Wilkie’s flight Friday even more special was the unique jet in which he flew. The detachment flies the “Dragon,” the

only F-117A with a gray or day-light camouflage paint scheme. The Dragon is also outfitted with unique avionics and other systems and on flights like Major Wilkie’s it is used to test the systems to improve the rest of the Stealth fleet’s combat capability.

The timing of both Major Wilkie’s final flight at Holloman and the 1,000 hour mark is unusual. “I had a good feeling when I was about 50 hours away,” Major Wilkie said. “I was looking at the timing and thought; I’ll be close. I don’t know if I’ll make it.”

Perhaps most significant in Major Wilkie’s upcoming change of station is his selection to the final cut of candidates for the Thunderbirds, the Air Force’s premier aerial demonstration team. He currently has orders to the staff of Seventh Air Force headquarters in the Republic of Korea. His interview at Thunderbird headquarters at Nellis Air Force Base at the end of April will determine whether his move to Korea is replaced by a tour with the elite team.

According to Lt. Col. Richard Silong, Det. 1 commander, Major Wilkie’s Stealth milestone and making the final cut for the Thunderbirds are not unrelated. “Major Wilkie’s always been motivated – all the way back to being a football player at the Air Force Academy. He’s a team player, a family man and a true representative of the Air Force.”



**Major Wilkie prepares to take off on his last flight in an F-117A at Holloman.**



# Holloman Salutes

**Congratulations to the Air Combat Command outstanding noncommissioned officer of the year:**

**Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Hansen**  
49th Civil Engineer Squadron

Congratulations to the following graduates of Airman Leadership School class 06-D:

**49th Maintenance Squadron**  
Senior Airman Michael Farr  
Senior Airman Kenneth Charfauros  
Senior Airman Victor Garza

**49th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron**  
Senior Airman Dustin Goe  
Senior Airman Jeffrey Ott

Senior Airman Jeffrey Shock  
Senior Airman Benjamin Stephens

**49th Civil Engineer Squadron**  
Senior Airman Theresa Margallo  
Senior Airman Mark Maschka  
Senior Airman Marcos Silva  
Senior Airman Alberto Aguilar  
Senior Airman Taurean Garrett  
Senior Airman Chad Schumpert

**49th Materiel Maintenance Squadron**  
Senior Airman Andre Edwards  
Senior Airman John Guerra  
Senior Airman Albert Hoare  
Senior Airman William Atherton  
Senior Airman Ronald Pearson

**49th Communications Squadron**

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Senior Airman Daniel Beesting  
Senior Airman Brandon Bulldis

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Senior Airman Robert Reich

**9th Fighter Squadron**  
Senior Airman Eric Christensen



**49th Security Forces Squadron**  
Staff Sgt. David Coston  
Senior Airman DeMarte

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**49th Maintenance Operations Squadron**  
Senior Airman Salina Wallace

**49th Aeromedical Dental Squadron**  
Senior Airman Claudia Pedroza

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# Command Post hub of Holloman operations

**by Tech. Sgt. Ray Bowden**  
*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

For many, the term “command post” may conjure visions of Airmen sitting in darkened rooms engaged in clandestine activities, the shuffling of classified material and covert planning, all in the name of installation and national security.

They’re partly right.

Sections of the CP are dimly lit for controllers to better view their computer screens, there is a classified materials vault, and in higher force protection conditions and real life contingencies, a fair amount of planning is conducted within the secured walls of the CP.

Holloman’s command post is the hub of all fighter wing communications, said Lt. Col. Ronald Rutledge, 49th Fighter Wing director of staff.

Master Sgt. Curt Koenig, 49th Fighter Wing CP NCO in-charge of training management functions, agrees the CP structure is very similar to the hub of a wheel.

“We work like a wheel,” he said. “All the wing agencies are spokes, and there are other spokes going to Air Combat Command, 12th Air Force and the Air Force Operations Center. Information comes down those spokes to us and we turn it, add to it, pare it down or assimilate it before sending it back out along those spokes,” he said.

Command post staff use classified and unclassified fax messages, e-mail, telephones and radios to ensure information is gathered and disseminated. A television is also on-hand for gathering immediate information.

The command post works directly with the fighter wing command support staff, group commanders, first responders and follow up agencies and initiates wing, battle staff, disaster control group and other limited recalls when given the order.

Wing leadership uses the command post to disseminate vital information to organizations and personnel who ‘need to know.’

“It’s critical the Battle Staff receives data from a variety of agencies in a timely manner and the Holloman Command Post ensures the right people have the right information at the right time,” said Sergeant Koenig.

The equipment used to transmit and receive this information would be useless if not for the command post controllers.

“The controllers are the eyes and ears of the wing commander,” said Sergeant Koenig. “They keep him and his staff abreast of developing situations. Controllers gather information from around the base and up and down the chain and distribute that information to the appropriate agencies,” he said.

There are two controllers on duty at all times.

“We provide command and control coordination for Holloman and higher headquarters,” said Airman 1st Class Tiffany Porter, CP junior controller.

CP controllers use operation reports to notify higher headquarters of any event or incident that may attract international, national, US Air Force or significant news media interest, said Airman Porter.

Controllers work 12-hour shifts and are responsible for keeping track of the wing’s activities and report any situations that many arise on the base or in the local area.

“[Controllers] are there for the alerting, directing and reporting functions of the wing,” said Sergeant Koenig.

“If the situation warrants and the commander directs, we give Air Combat Command inputs as well,” said Senior Airman Tara Ross, CP senior controller.

A typical day’s activity may have the command post staff making between 10 to 15 notifications.

These notifications range from vehicle accidents, damage to government property, injuries, treaty notifications, the initiation of base exercises and real world contingency situations.

Higher headquarters has pro-

vided a list of all the activities we need to monitor,” said Captain Hirselj, 49th FW/CP chief.

The CP is broken down into three sections, SORTS/Reports, training and emergency action control.

“The SORTS/Reports section gathers the wing’s status of resources and training [information] and provides our “go to war” mission status to higher headquarters,” said Capt. Hirselj.

SORTS is an acronym for status of resources and training system.

A SORTS report is a report informing higher headquarters of the wing’s war time readiness. The second function is training.

“This section ensures all command post controllers are up to date with required scenario training and operation instructions,” said Capt. Hirselj.

The third function is the emergency action control function.

“Everyone in the command post must be certified by the wing commander to perform the required actions necessary for command and control,” said Capt. Hirselj.

While these CP controllers may spend their time invisible to most Holloman members, it is still a high-visibility career as the wing commander has direct face-to-face input on gauging an upcoming controller’s ability to man the helm.

Once you are ready to be certified [as a controller], you are interviewed by the wing commander to see if he feels you are capable of performing all controller duties,” said Airman Ross.

Holloman’s CP affects every Team Holloman member regardless of unit, squadron or mission.

“We keep busy listening, gathering data, coordinating activities and reporting any activities that occur on Holloman,” said Capt. Hirselj. “Each commander on base has a responsibility to [report to the CP] any incident that could adversely affect the mission.”

The command post can be reached 24-7 at 572-7575.







# Distinguished visitors ... Air Force Honor Guard teams up with HAFB Honor Guard for training



Photos by Senior Airman Heather Frady

(Above) Staff Sgt. David Little, U.S. Air Force Honor Guard trainer, demonstrates the proper sequence for firing volleys for military funerals. (Right) Staff Sgt. Wesley Schindler, 49th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Airman 1st Class Robert Burchfield, 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Senior Airman David Wagstaff, 49th Maintenance Squadron, Airman 1st Class Megan Zylka, 49th MXS and Tech. Sgt. Manuel Lara, 49th Civil Engineer Squadron, receive training on the six-man flag fold sequence for funerals from Staff Sgt. Charles Forrest, U.S. Air Force Honor Guard trainer.



(Below) Holloman honor guard members practice “present arms” with the M-14 rifle during training with the U.S. Air Force Honor Guard members.



(Above) Airman 1st Class Dustin Woodord, U.S. Air Force Honor Guard trainer, instructs the members of the base honor guard on how to perform color sequences for military funerals.





# When I grow up I want to be a ...



Photos by Senior Airman Terri Barriere

**"I want to be a doctor because they make a lot of money. I'll go to college so I can buy stuff for my mom and some kids."**

**Estrella Valenzuela**  
7 years old



**"I want to be an artist and a scientist so I can help animals and draw. I like to draw a lot."**

**Robert Yates**  
8 years old



**"I want to be a veterinarian because I love animals. I love cats, they're cute and cuddly. The funniest animal I could treat would be a lizard."**

**Heaven Weary**  
7 years old



**"I want to be in the Air Force when I grow up so I can help my country and stuff. I'll have to do a lot of exercises ... like climb the bars."**

**Alex Goll**  
6 years old



**"I want to be a fire fighter because they go into fires and help save people from burning houses and they wear protective gear."**

**Anthony Owens**  
8 years old



Photo by Senior Airman Terri Barriere

## Holloman Hero

### Staff Sgt. Robert Duerr 49th Security Forces Squadron

**Duty title:** Combat arms instructor

**Time in service:** Seven years

**Time at Holloman:** One year

**Personal and career goals:** Career: To become as knowledgeable as I can and be the most proficient instructor for the base and to prepare them for present and future Air Force needs. Personal: To create a nation that has the safety and security for my son to grow and excel in.

**Why is serving in the Air Force important to you?** I enjoy the structure

provided by the Air Force and the opportunities offered to have an impact on so many servicemembers.

**What is your favorite quote?** "Get-R-done."

— *Unknown*

**What motivates you to be a better NCO?** The knowledge that my peers and I will become the future leaders of the Air Force with the possibility of having a great impact on other Airmen's careers.

**How do you set an example for other Airmen?** By professional interaction

with students, enforcing standards and showing the importance of proper weapon employment.

**Core value portrayed:** "Staff Sgt. Duerr is an outstanding NCO. His work at the Combat Arms Range and training nearly 3,000 Holloman Airmen every year epitomizes the U.S. Air Force core value of "Excellence in All We Do." He is a superior choice to be one of Holloman's Heroes."

— *Maj. Kenneth Ohlson*  
49th Security Forces  
commander





### PADD

Airmen must designate one immediate family member as the person authorized to direct disposition of their remains should they become a casualty.

Persons authorized to direct disposition information should include the designated person's name, relationship to member, address with zip code and telephone number.

The last digit of the Social Security Number will identify when Airmen must update their records. The remaining dates are as follows:

**5 – Today to Monday**

**6 – Tuesday to April 28**

**7 – April 29 to May 3**

**8 – May 4 to 9**

**9 – May 10 to 15**

**0 – May 16 to 22**

For more information or for questions concerning the PADD designation, call the Air Force Contact Center at (800) 616-3775.

### Community survey

The Integrated Delivery System is sponsoring the 2006 Community Assessment Survey of active duty members, reservists and their spouses.

The Web-based survey will be sent to approximately 1,000 randomly selected Holloman members for completion now through May 1.

Results from previous Air Force community assessments have impacted such policies and programs as expansion of family financial counseling programs, development of a user-friendly support network for single parents and the creation of the base-level Sexual Assault Response Coordinator. The survey allows respondents to express their opinions anonymously and honestly and targets resources where they are most needed. Military members will receive a Web link via e-mail, and selected spouses will receive a letter by mail containing the Web address.

For more information, contact Lt. Col. Juliette Robinson at 572-7658.

### Base decals

The 2006 base decals are now available and individuals

with expired or temporary decals may pick one up at the Visitor's Center. Customers should bring their military ID, a valid drivers license, registration, insurance and their old base decal.

For more information, call 572-5920.

### Volunteer fair

A volunteer fair takes place today from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the community center. Representatives from on and off-base volunteer agencies will be present to discuss their organizations and explain how to become involved. For more information, call the Airmen and Family Readiness Center at 572-7754.

### Pet show

A pet show takes place May 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Holloman Middle School.

The show will consist of 10 categories for pets and their owners to participate in and will include a working dog demonstration from the 49th Security Forces Squadron. Alamogordo animal control will also have pets available for adoption.

Entry forms are located at the Cashier's Cage in the BX. For more information, call Ms. Deborah Jenkins at 572-7286.

### HESO scholarship

The Holloman Enlisted Spouses' Organization will award two \$500 scholarships to eligible recipients. Applicants must be a spouse or dependent of an active duty or retired military member or a Department of Defense employee. Scholarships are for the 2006-2007 school year.

Applications will be available at the education office and can be accessed via the Web at [www.geocities.com/hesoweb/scholarship.htm](http://www.geocities.com/hesoweb/scholarship.htm). Applications must be postmarked by June 1.

### Adventure program

Outdoor Recreation is calling all E-4s and below to get involved in planning and organizing trips. Some programs are already being planned, but volunteers are needed to help in the decision-making process. For more information, contact Outdoor Recreation at 572-5369.

## A/C startup

The 49th Civil Engineer Squadron Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning section has begun startup of A/C systems. All A/C systems other than military family housing will be serviced, tested and started. The process is scheduled to be completed by May 31. Facilities are prioritized in the following order:

1. **Dormitories**
2. **Office areas**
3. **Industrial areas**

No requests or appointments are necessary as all facilities have already been identified and are tentatively scheduled. Facility managers will be notified when their individual systems have been started. Please refrain from placing trouble calls until after systems have been activated. For more information, call 572-3223 or 572-3224.

## Women's retreat

A women's retreat is Friday through Sunday at Bonita Park, located north of Ruidoso. Cost is \$50 per person and includes lodging and meals. The guest speaker is Ms. Doris Berry. Deadline for sign-ups and registration fee is Sunday. For more information, call Ms. Andrea Gates at 443-0435.

## Torch run

The torch run will be May 15 during the 2006 Special Olympics. The run is open to all law enforcement and military members. Cost is \$15 per person, which pays for a T-shirt, as well as insurance during the run. Participants will run from Alamogordo to White Sands Missile Range. Anyone interested in running, purchasing a T-shirt or making a donation, call Officer Borunda at 439-4364.

## Discovery Center

Visit the Discovery Center in the Airman and Family Readiness Center and use computers to write a resume, take a typing test, surf the internet or e-mail a friend. Let the kids use the learning toys, tools and games.

## MyPay Web site

As a reminder, the MyPay Web site address is <https://mypay.dfas.mil>. There are look-a-like

Web sites being developed to make people think they are accessing official sites, including the MyPay Web site. These sites request personal information that, if provided, could cause a variety of problems for the members.

There are also sites that use the words "MyPay" as part of their Web address. While they may be legitimate business concerns, they are not in any way affiliated with DFAS and MyPay.

The following are a few sites that use MyPay in their address.

[www.mypay.com](http://www.mypay.com)  
[www.mypay.se/indexen.html](http://www.mypay.se/indexen.html)  
[www.mypaysolutions.com/](http://www.mypaysolutions.com/)

Be aware of these sites to avoid confusion.

## Career day

Tularosa Elementary School is looking for ten service members to present their career fields at the school's career day May 5. Presentations should last about 20 minutes.

The use of presentations, videos, handouts, manipulative, etc., would greatly enhance the presentation. More than one service-member may present a career field. Presenters have the option of presenting a full day or a half day and lunch will be provided by the school. For more information or to volunteer, e-mail [dmohr@tularosa.k12.nm.us](mailto:dmohr@tularosa.k12.nm.us).

## Graduation

Graduation for students receiving degrees from Community College of the Air Force, Central Texas College, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Park University, Troy State University, and University of Phoenix is scheduled for May 5 at 2:00 p.m. in the Oasis Enlisted Club. All are welcome to attend. For more information, call 572-3971.

## Right Start

The Right Start information fair is Monday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Airman and Family Readiness Center.

This briefing is required for all personnel newly arrived to Holoman. People needing to attend may sign up for this briefing in the Military Personnel Flight during in-processing. For more information, call 572-7754.

## Golf Tournament

A golf tournament is scheduled tomorrow from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the base golf course. Cost is \$25 per person or \$100 per team. For more information or to sign up, call Capt. Matt Rossman at 572-1630, Capt. Betsy Jensen at 572-7358 or 1st Lt. Dave Chavira at 572-0046.

## ASIST

The next Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) class is Tuesday and Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the base chapel. The class is open to all active duty, reserve, civilian personnel and key spouses. This suicide prevention training offers a highly effective intervention model (how to assess, what to say, questions to ask and how to refer) for actually talking with someone who may be thinking about suicide. Participants may wear civilian clothes and will receive a certificate upon completion of the two day class. For more information or to sign up, call 572-7211.

## MPF closure

The 49th Mission Support Squadron Military Personnel Flight will be closed for a Squadron function April 28 at noon. The MPF will resume normal hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. May 1. For more information, call Capt. Kimberly Daniels or Senior Master Sgt. Scott Brake at 572-3374.

## Main gate construction

Beginning Monday, the 49th Civil Engineer Squadron will install a concrete curb between the drainage ditch and roadway to stop stones from the ditch from coming into the road. During this construction, the far right lane will be temporarily closed from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Monday through Friday. Construction is expected to last no longer than a week.

After the curb is complete, the main gate area will be landscaped to match the remainder of the base. Access to the Visitor Center or its parking lot will not be affected. The whole project, including the landscaping, is expected to be completed by May 12.

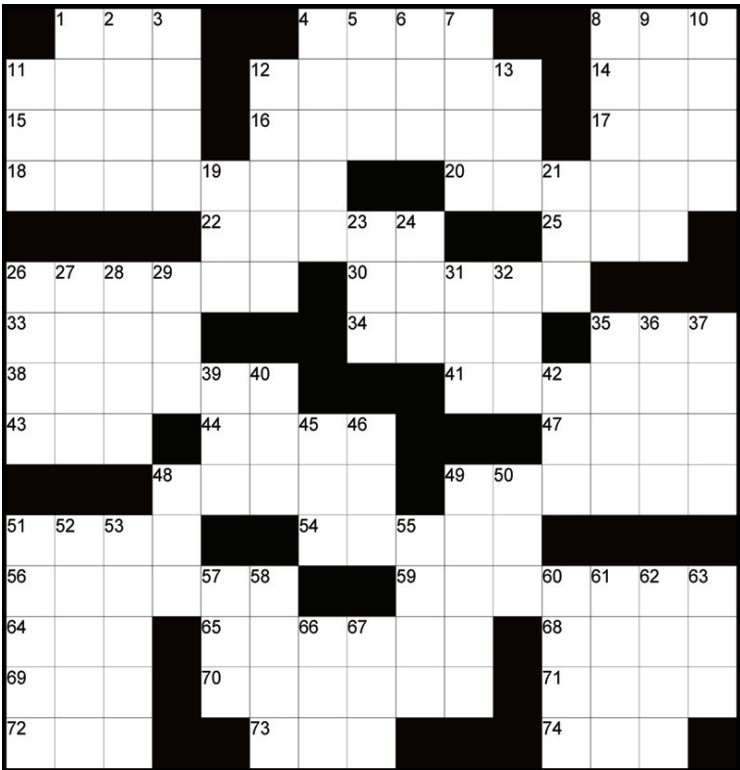
For more information, call customer service at 572-3223.



# Cold War icons, symbols

ACROSS

- 1. \_\_ Vegas
- 4. Immediately
- 8. Summer of \_\_\_\_
- 11. Soccer star
- 12. Cold War Soviet Premier Brezhnev (1964-82)
- 14. Accountant, in short
- 15. Roaster
- 16. Worked hard for
- 17. Vase
- 18. Cold War conflict nationalist/communist forces and pro-Western
- 20. Cold War leader Joseph (1922-1953); created Warsaw Pact
- 22. X-Men director Singer
- 25. Sick
- 26. Cold War leader Harry; developed USSR containment doctrine
- 30. Film critic Ebert
- 33. Cold War icon Powers; American U-2 pilot shot down over USSR
- 34. Streetcar
- 35. Commonly
- 38. Crazy
- 41. US ship seized in 1968 by North Korea
- 43. Federal org. concerned with medicine
- 44. Town home to Vance AFB
- 47. Dutch colonist in South Africa
- 48. 1951 act passed to enable military to create “foreign legion” against USSR
- 49. Spongy citrus fruit rind
- 51. Ecologist Leopold
- 54. Crush
- 56. Blockaded city that was one of the major Cold War crises
- 59. Russian satellite; launched Cold War “Space Race”
- 64. \_\_ of Pigs; 1961 US-backed invasion of Cuba
- 65. Rattle off
- 68. Arms \_\_\_\_; Cold War build up between US and Soviets
- 69. Mock
- 70. Cold War proxy conflict between US and Communist powers



- 71. Ajar
- 72. Cold War ID for a Soviet Republic
- 73. Head
- 74. Mogul Turner

DOWN

- 1. Jean maker
- 2. Out of the wind
- 3. Mailed
- 4. Sordid
- 5. Rocky peak
- 6. Crime writer Rule
- 7. Knots up
- 8. Long oar
- 9. Taxing month
- 10. Director Michael
- 11. Military member’s car
- 12. Gain knowledge
- 13. Banned pesticide
- 19. Shaq’s org.
- 21. Demeanor
- 23. \_\_\_\_ deco
- 24. Neither’s partner
- 26. End of the week phrase, in short
- 27. Map maker
- 28. Major or Minor
- 29. 2001 Lady Marmalade singer
- 31. Bomber \_\_\_\_; Cold War

- issue regarding Soviet aircraft buildups
- 32. Flightless bird
- 35. Woodwind instrument
- 36. Absconded
- 37. Actor Benecio del \_\_\_\_
- 39. Keanu’s The Matrix character
- 40. Terminate
- 42. Dwindle
- 45. Grocery store chain
- 46. Young woman
- 48. Computer chuckle, in short
- 49. Resort town
- 50. Romanian currency
- 51. Palestinian Authority president Mahmoud
- 52. Jumps
- 53. Clothing appliance
- 55. Movie canine
- 57. Annoy
- 58. A noble gas
- 60. Canter
- 61. Scruff of the neck
- 62. Chilled
- 63. Barbie’s pal
- 66. \_\_-Magnon
- 67. CENTCOM danger

Answers on page 17

572-RIDE

Save a wingman’s life. Volunteer. That’s the bottom line.

Airmen Against Drunk Driving



The 49th Security Forces Squadron handled the following incidents from April 11 to Monday:

**Property loss, damage or theft:**

**April 11:** An NCO reported vehicular damage to his car while parked in the Bldg. 584, billeting, parking lot.

**April 12:** An NCO reported that he inadvertently broke his front window in his residence on San Miguel Loop. Damage occurred when he threw a ball at the

television, which bounced off and broke the window next to the front door.

**April 13:** A civilian reported that his vehicle was struck in the rear passenger window by an errant rock kicked up from nearby mowers, causing it to break.

**April 15:** A civilian reported a minor accident on McKinley Loop. Investigation revealed that the first vehicle failed to observe the second vehicle backing up and the two collided causing minor damage.

**Patrol response:**

**April 11:** An NCO reported a vehicle carrying six civilians in route to White Sands National Monument made a wrong turn at the gate. The vehicle was redirected.

**April 11:** An NCO reported an “invalid access code” alarm activation at Bldg. 45. A check of the perimeter revealed nothing out of order. Cause of the alarm was determined to be human error.

**April 12:** An NCO reported that there were two backpacks underneath the bench in front of the Base

Exchange. The owners of the backpacks were located and stated that as students they were not allowed to bring backpacks into the Base Exchange. AAFES management was requested to find a more suitable arrangement for storing patron’s backpacks.

**April 12:** An officer reported a major accident on Delaware Avenue adjacent to Bldg. 317. Investigation revealed that the first vehicle failed to observe the second vehicle stop for retreat. Both drivers went to Gerald Champion Medical Center for medical treatment.

**April 13:** A civilian reported that a cabinet fell on another civilian’s head at Bldg. 584. Civilian was transported to G-CRMC for treatment.

**April 13:** A civilian reported that another civilian had ingested industrial strength auto cleaner. Civilian was transported to G-CRMC for treatment.

**April 15:** A civilian reported a brown and white Boxer had tried to jump a fence on Keesler Court and was hanging on the fence by his collar. Patrol rescued the dog transported it to Bldg. 1199 for safekeeping and later returned to it’s owner.



Crossword answers

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Chapel services

**Weekday Masses** – 11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Sunday** – Catholic Mass, 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

- Sacrament of Penance, 4 p.m.
- General Protestant Worship Service, 11 a.m.
- Protestant Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
- Catholic Religious Education, 10:30 a.m. at Holloman Intermediate School.



- The Shaggy Dog (PG)**  
6 p.m. Friday
- Ultraviolet (PG-13)**  
6 p.m. Saturday
- Aquamarine (PG)**  
6 p.m. Sunday
- Aquamarine (PG)**  
6 p.m. Wednesday

A major motion picture studio wants to hire about 200 more military ID card holders to be extras in a feature film, a portion of which will be filmed at Holloman and White Sands Missile Range. The company will hold a casting call Saturday and Monday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on base in Bldg. 318. The company is looking particularly for Airmen to portray military members. Acting experience is not necessary and the sign-up is simple and easy. Military members will be required to be on leave in order to be paid and must have the approval of their supervisors to have off-duty employment. For more information, call Capt. Raynoha or Mr. Fuller at the Public Affairs office at 572-5406.



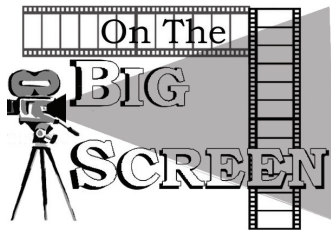


# CROSSWORD ANSWERS

## Crossword answers

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Answers from page 13



### 16 Blocks (PG-13)

6 p.m. Friday

### Madea's Family Reunion (R)

6 p.m. Saturday

### Running Scared (PG-13)

6 p.m. Sunday

### Running Scared (PG-13)

6 p.m. Wednesday

## Easter Services

**Today** – A Catholic mass and Lord's Supper will be held at 7 p.m. in the base chapel.

**Saturday** – An Easter Vigil mass will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in the base chapel.

**Sunday** – An Easter Sunday mass will be held at 9 a.m. in the base chapel.

**Sunday** – A combined Easter sunrise service will be held at 6 a.m. at the White Sands National Monument. A breakfast will follow on base at the chapel annex.

**Sunday** – A Protestant Easter Sunday worship service will be held at 11 a.m. at the base chapel.

## Chapel services

**Weekday Masses** – 11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Sunday** – Catholic Mass, 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

- Sacrament of Penance, 4 p.m.
- General Protestant Worship Service, 11 a.m.
- Protestant Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
- Catholic Religious Education, 10:30 a.m. at Holloman Intermediate School.



The Public Affairs office has extra copies of the 2006 Base Guide and Telephone Directory. If your group, squadron, unit or household would like to have a copy of the base guide (hardbound or cd) please contact Ms. Danielle Toste at 572-1991 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday – Thursday. Please provide the quantity desired and the date you will pick up the guides.

